

House Resolution No. 794

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize Helen Gibbar of Perryville, Missouri, who is to be commended for writing the 21st Century/Afterschool Grant; and

Whereas, the 21st Century/Afterschool Grant was presented to three Cape Girardeau schools, which will receive \$2.2 million over the next five years in order to establish after-school programs aimed at improving student performance; and

Whereas, acting as a group, Franklin Elementary, Central High School, and the Alternative Education Center form one of eighteen school partnerships or individual schools selected for the state's 21st Century Community Learning Centers grant this year; and

Whereas, the goals of the 21st Century/Afterschool Grant are to improve student ability to meet state academic standards, and to provide instructional and enrichment literacy along with technology opportunities for parents of these students; and

Whereas, Helen Gibbar has served as an Educational Tech Coordinator of Federal Programs, and Grant Coordinator with the Cape Girardeau Public Schools for the past six years, prior to which time she found employment opportunities as a classroom science teacher with the St. Louis Public Schools and Cape Girardeau Public Schools for more than twenty years; and

Whereas, Helen Gibbar worked with the Tech Prep Program during the initial phases and wrote grants for her classroom, communicating with other science teachers world-wide on a variety of environmentally-related issues and creating one of the most technologically-advanced science rooms in the area; and

Whereas, Helen Gibbar has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of her wonderful husband, Tom:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Helen Gibbar for her unwavering commitment to the Cape Girardeau Public Schools and for the tremendous effort she put forth in writing the 21st Century/Afterschool Grant; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Helen Gibbar.

Offered by _____
Representative Jason G. Crowell
Majority Floor Leader
District No. 158

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 794, adopted February 26, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker